

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A biaxially oriented opaque polypropylene multilayered film in the form of an in-mold label made of a base layer and at least one first intermediate layer positioned thereon and a first surface layer positioned on the first intermediate layer, characterized in that the first intermediate layer has essentially no vacuoles and the first surface layer contains at least 80 weight-percent of a propylene-ethylene copolymer, which has an ethylene content from 1.2 to < 2.8 weight-percent and a propylene content of 97.2 – 98.8 weight-percent and a melting point in the range from 145 to 160°C and a melting enthalpy of 80 to 110 J/g and the base layer contains vacuole-initiating fillers and has a density in the range from 0.35 to 0.6 g/cm³ and contains no pigments ~~additives whose density is above the density of the polypropylene~~ and the density of the overall film is in the range from 0.4 to 0.7 g/cm³.
2. (previously presented) A biaxially oriented opaque polypropylene multilayered film in the form of an in-mold label made of a base layer and at least one first intermediate layer positioned thereon and a first surface layer positioned on the first intermediate layer, characterized in that the first intermediate layer has essentially no vacuoles and the first surface layer contains at least 80 weight-percent of a propylene-ethylene copolymer, which has an ethylene content from 1.2 to < 2.8 weight-percent and a propylene content of 97.2 – 98.8 weight-percent and a melting point in the range from 145 to 160°C and a melting enthalpy of 80 to 110 J/g and the base layer contains vacuole-initiating fillers and has a density in the range from 0.4 to 0.9 g/cm³ and additionally contains TiO₂ and the density of the overall film is in the range from 0.45 to 0.95 g/cm³.

3. (currently amended) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the propylene-ethylene copolymer contains 1.5 to 2.3 weight-percent ethylene and has a melting point in the range from 150 to 155°C and a melting enthalpy of 90 to 100 J/g.
4. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the surface layer additionally contains propylene homopolymer, propylene copolymer, and/or propylene terpolymer, these polymers being different from the first propylene copolymer and the propylene content of these polymers being at least 80 weight-percent, and their proportion in the surface layer being at most 20 weight-percent, preferably 2 to 10 weight-percent.
5. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the thickness of the first surface layer is 0.5 to 3 μ m.
6. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the surface of the first surface layer is pre-treated using corona, plasma, or flame.
7. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the base layer made of propylene homopolymer contains 5 to 30 weight-percent vacuole-initiating fillers.
8. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the first intermediate layer is made of at least 50 weight-percent, preferably 80 to 90 weight-percent propylene homopolymer and additionally contains 1 to 15 weight-percent TiO_2 .
9. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that a second surface layer is applied to the diametrically opposing side of the base layer and the film is four-layered.

10. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the second surface layer contains at least 80 to <100 weight-percent of a polymer mixture, the mixture comprising propylene polymers having at least 80 weight-percent propylene units and a polyethylene and the mixture containing 10 to 50 weight-percent of the polyethylene in relation to the weight of the mixture.

11. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the first and/or the second surface layer contains an antiblocking agent.

12. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that a second intermediate layer is applied between the base layer and the second surface layer and the film is five-layered.

13. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the second intermediate layer contains 5 to 20 weight-percent vacuole-initiating particles.

14. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the base layer additionally contains antistatic agent and lubricant.

15. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the first and/or the second intermediate layer contains antistatic agent and/or lubricant.

16. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the first and/or the second surface layer additionally contains antiblocking agent and/or lubricant and/or antistatic agent.

17. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1, characterized in that the first surface layer is provided with printing which does not cover its entire area.

18. (previously presented) The film according to claim 1 for the in-mold labeling when injection molding containers from thermoplastic, preferably polyethylene or

polypropylene; characterized in that the side of the film diametrically opposite the first surface layer faces toward the container during labeling and the first surface layer forms the outside of the label.